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MEMBRANES ASSET SALE AGREEMENT

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MEMBRANES ASSET SALE AGREEMENT

MEMBRANES ASSET SALE AGREEMENT (this "Agreement") dated July 15, 2009, by and among W. R. Grace & Co.-Conn., a Connecticut corporation ("Seller"), and [REDACTED], a Delaware limited liability company ("Buyer"), and, with respect solely to Sections 6.01, 6.02, 6.03, 6.05 and 19.13, [REDACTED], a Delaware corporation ("Buyer Parent").

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, pursuant to sections 363 and 365 of the Bankruptcy Code, Seller wishes to sell, transfer, assign, convey and deliver to Buyer, and Buyer wishes to purchase, accept and acquire, from Seller all of the Transferred Assets and assume all of the Transferred Liabilities, in each case, in accordance with the terms and subject to the conditions set forth in this Agreement and in the Bankruptcy Code;

WHEREAS, Buyer Parent wishes to guarantee the obligations of Buyer under this Agreement and the other Transaction Documents;

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants herein contained, and for other good and valuable consideration, the value, receipt and sufficiency of which are acknowledged, the parties hereby agree as follows:

ARTICLE 1

Definitions

1.01 General. All Article and Section numbers, and Exhibit and Schedule references, used in this Agreement refer to Articles and Sections of this Agreement, and Exhibits and Schedules attached hereto or delivered simultaneously herewith, unless otherwise specifically stated. Any of the terms defined in this Agreement may be used in the singular or the plural. In this Agreement, unless otherwise specifically stated: "hereof," "herein," "hereto," "hereunder" and the like mean and refer to this Agreement as a whole and not merely to the specific Section, paragraph or clause in which the word appears; words importing any gender include the other gender; the term "including" shall mean "including but not by way of limitation" and the term "ordinary course of business" shall mean "ordinary course of business, consistent with past practice."

¹ The name of the Buyer and certain confidential terms of this Agreement have been withheld or redacted from this Motion and this Agreement to protect the confidential nature of the information and business sensitivities. The full un-redacted version of this Agreement shall be provided: (i) to the Court, the Official Committees and the FCRs upon request of the Debtors; and (ii) to other parties in interest, upon request and agreement of the Debtors and the Buyer and execution of a confidentiality agreement.

- 1.02 <u>Defined Terms</u>. For purposes of this Agreement, the following defined terms have the meanings set forth in this Section.
 - "Acquired Business" has the meaning given such term in Section 16.04.
- "Affiliate" of any Person means any other Person which, directly or indirectly, controls or is controlled by or is under common control with such Person. A Person shall be deemed to "control," be "controlled by" or be "under common control with" any other Person if such other Person possesses, directly or indirectly, power to direct or cause the direction of the management or policies of such Person whether through the ownership of voting securities or other ownership interests, by contract or otherwise.
 - "Agreement" has the meaning given such term in the Preamble.
 - "Ancillary Agreements" means the agreements described in Section 3.03.
 - "Approved Indemnification Claim" has the meaning given such term in Section 14.04.
 - "Arbitrator" has the meaning given such term in Section 4.06.
 - "Bankruptcy Code" means Chapter 11 of Title 11, U.S.C. §§101 et seq., as amended.
 - "Bankruptcy Court" means the United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Delaware.
- "Bankruptcy Proceeding" means In re: W. R. Grace & Co. et al., Debtors, Chapter 11, Case Nos. 01-1139 et al. (JKF) (Jointly Administered) in the Bankruptcy Court.
 - "Basket Amount" has the meaning given such term in Section 14.02.
- "Business Day" means a day that is not a Saturday or Sunday, nor a day on which banks are required or authorized to be closed in New York City.
 - "Buyer" has the meaning given such term in the Preamble.
 - "Buyer Claim" has the meaning given such term in Section 14.02.
- "Buyer Entity" means any of Buyer, its Subsidiaries, and any Person of which Buyer is a Subsidiary.
- "Buyer Group" means, collectively, Buyer and its Subsidiaries, and any Person of which Buyer is a Subsidiary.
 - "Buyer Indemnified Parties" has the meaning given such term in Section 14.02.
 - "Buyer Parent" has the meaning given such term in the Preamble.

- "Buyer's Severance Plan" has the meaning given such term in Section 12.02.
- "Claim" has the meaning given such term in Section 14.03.
- "Closing" means the actions to be taken by Seller and Buyer described in Section 3.03.
- "Closing Current Assets" has the meaning given such term in Section 4.02.
- "Closing Current Liabilities" has the meaning given such term in Section 4.02.
- "Closing Date" means the date on which the Closing takes place.

"Closing Permitted Exceptions" means (a) Liens for Taxes, assessments, levies and other charges of Governmental Authorities not yet due and payable or being contested in good faith by appropriate proceedings, and (b) with respect to the Subject Business Real Property (i) matters disclosed by the Survey, the existence of which, individually or in the aggregate, would not materially and adversely diminish the value or marketability of or interfere with the present use, operation or occupancy of the Subject Business Real Property, (ii) easements, encroachments, restrictions, rights of way and any other non-monetary Liens of public record disclosed by the Title Commitment, the existence of which, individually or in the aggregate, would not materially and adversely diminish the value or marketability of or interfere with the present use, operation or occupancy of the Subject Business Real Property, (iii) zoning and building restrictions and (iv) Liens of Seller's secured credit facility, all of which shall be released at or prior to the Closing; provided, however, that in no event shall any monetary Liens encumbering or otherwise affecting the Subject Business Real Property (other than as described in subsection (a) or (b)(iv) above) be deemed to be Closing Permitted Exceptions.

- "Closing Statement" has the meaning given such term in Section 4.04.
- "Closing Working Capital Amount" has the meaning given such term in Section 4.02.
- "Code" means the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.
- "Confidential Information" has the meaning given such term in Section 16.09.
- "Confidentiality Agreement" means the confidentiality agreement dated April 2, 2009, between Seller and Buyer.
 - "Continued Employees" has the meaning given such term in Section 12.01.
- "Contract" means any lease, license, contract, agreement or other binding commitment, whether oral or written and whether express or implied.
- "Cure Costs" means all payments under section 365 of the Bankruptcy Code which are required to assume and assign the Transferred Contracts.

"Damages" means any and all losses, assessments, damages (including damages related to any awards for equitable relief or any obligations, prohibitions or Liens imposed on the Transferred Assets or Subject Business), penalties, fines, amounts paid in settlement, defense costs, Taxes, Liens, costs or expenses (including interest), of any nature whatsoever, including, (a) in connection with the defense of a Third Party Claim, reasonable attorneys' fees and other out-of-pocket expenses, and (b) in connection with any Claim other than a Third Party Claim, reasonable attorneys' fees and other out-of-pocket expenses solely of the prevailing party. For purposes of this definition, "prevailing party" shall mean a defendant that is fully exonerated or cleared in connection with the defense of the applicable Proceeding, or a plaintiff that is awarded all or any portion of the relief claimed thereby in the applicable Proceeding.

"Disclosure Schedules" means, collectively, the various schedules referred to in this Agreement.

"Dispute Notice" has the meaning given such term in Section 14.04.

"Dispute Period" has the meaning given such term in Section 14.04.

"Division Presidents" has the meaning given such term in Section 14.04.

"EH&S Law" means any Law, or any Hazardous Material standard issued pursuant to any Law, whenever in effect (except to the extent any specific reference to EH&S Law herein may be qualified by a particular date), which relates to or otherwise imposes liability, obligations or standards relating to the protection of human health and safety and the Environment, including the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act (42 U.S.C. § 9601 et seq.), the Hazardous Materials Transportation Act (49 U.S.C. App. § 1801 et seq.), the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (42 U.S.C. § 6901 et seq.), the Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. § 1251 et seq.), the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. § 7401 et seq.), the Toxic Substance Control Act (15 U.S.C. § 2601 et seq.), the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (7 U.S.C. § 136 et seq.), the Occupational Safety and Health Act (29 U.S.C. § 651 et seq.), the Registration, Evaluation, Authorization and Restriction of Chemicals (Reg. (EC) No. 1907/2006 of the European Parliament), Restriction of Hazardous Substances (Dir. 2002/95/EC of the European Parliament) and any Law having similar effect in any other jurisdiction.

"Employee Closing Date" has the meaning set forth in Section 12.05.

"Environment" means soil, surface and sub-surface land, surface waters (including navigable, non-navigable, ephemeral and maritime waters), groundwater, stream sediments, ambient air (including indoor air), plant life, animal life and natural resources.

"Excluded Assets" has the meaning given such term in Section 2.02.

"Excluded Liabilities" has the meaning given such term in Section 2.03.

"Executive" has the meaning given such term in Section 12.01.

"Final Closing Working Capital Amount" has the meaning given such term in Section 4.06.

"Final Order" means any order of the Bankruptcy Court after all opportunities for rehearing, reargument, petition for certiorari and appeal are exhausted or expired and any requests for rehearing have been denied, and that has not been revised, stayed, enjoined, set aside, annulled, reversed, remanded, modified or suspended, with respect to which any required waiting period has expired, and to which all conditions to effectiveness prescribed therein or otherwise by Law or Order have been satisfied; provided, however, that no order shall fail to be a Final Order solely because of the possibility that a motion pursuant to Rule 60 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure or Rule 9024 of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure may be filed with respect to such order.

"Governmental Authority" means any federal, state, municipal or foreign government or other political subdivision thereof, and any entity exercising executive, legislative, judicial, regulatory or administration functions of or pertaining to government, including any governmental authority, agency, department, board, commission or instrumentality of the United States, any foreign government, any State of the United States or any political subdivision of any of the foregoing, and any court or tribunal of competent jurisdiction.

"Hazardous Materials" means any wastes, pollutants, contaminants, hazardous or toxic substances or organisms (including Legionella species, Stachybotrys species, petroleum, polychlorinated biphenyls, asbestos and asbestos-containing materials) that is listed, defined, designated, classified or regulated under any applicable EH&S Law.

"Income Statements" has the meaning given such term in Section 5.15.

"Indemnified Party" has the meaning given such term in Section 14.04.

"Indemnifying Party" has the meaning given such term in Section 14.04.

"Indemnity Cap" has the meaning given such term in Section 14.02.

"Initial Purchase Price" has the meaning given such term in Section 2.04.

"Insurance Policies" means insurance policies or other insurance coverage.

"Intellectual Property" or "IP" means any and all of the following:

- (a) United States and foreign patents, patent applications, and patent disclosures, including all reissues, divisions, continuations, continuations-in part, substitutions, or extensions of any of the foregoing;
- (i) trademarks, service marks, trade names, brand names, trade dress, logos, and designs, assumed names and other indications of origin, whether

- registered or unregistered, and any applications or renewals therefor, and (ii) all goodwill symbolized thereby or associated with (i):
- (c) United States and foreign copyrights, whether registered or unregistered, and any applications therefor or renewals thereof; and
- (d) inventions, formulae, processes, designs, ideas, know-how, show-how, manufacturing know-how, trade secrets, computer software and technical manuals and documentation which are not embodied within subparagraphs (a), (b) and (c).

"Inventory" has the meaning given such term in Section 2.02.

"IP Assignment" has the meaning given such term in Section 3.03.

"IP Lease" means that certain lease by Seller of Intellectual Property set forth on Schedule 1.02.

"Knowledge of Seller" or "Seller's Knowledge" means the knowledge that any of the individuals listed on <u>Exhibit 1.02A</u> has on the date of this Agreement or on the Closing Date, as applicable.

"Law" means any federal, state, local, municipal, foreign or other law, statute, constitution, principle of common law, ordinance, code, decree, rule or regulation of any Governmental Authority.

"Lien" means any mortgage, pledge, security interest, easement, covenant, charge, right-ofway or other lien or encumbrance.

"Maryland Assets" means certain assets used in the Subject Business that are located at Seller's facilities in Columbia, Maryland, or Curtis Bay (Baltimore), Maryland, which are listed in <u>Exhibit 1.02B</u>.

"Material Adverse Effect" means any change, effect, occurrence or development that, individually or in the aggregate, has or would reasonably be expected to have a material adverse effect upon the Transferred Assets or Transferred Liabilities, or on the business, condition (financial or otherwise), operations or results of operations of the Subject Business, taken as a whole, but excluding (a) economic effects or changes that are generally applicable to the industries and markets in which the Subject Business operates, (b) general changes in the United States or world financial markets or general economic conditions, (c) general changes in applicable Laws (except, in the case of clauses (a), (b) and (c), to the extent such effect or change disproportionately affects the Subject Business), or (d) the failure, in and of itself, to win any particular bid or proposal made to a customer (or any cancellation or revocation of any request for proposal from any customer) or meet any projections, but not the facts underlying such failure.

"Material Contracts" has the meaning given such term in Section 5.10.

"Minimum Claim Amount" has the meaning given such term in Section 14.02.

"Natural Gas Subject Business" means the operation of the Subject Business as conducted within one year before the Closing with respect to manufacture and sale of natural gas membranes, membrane modules and membrane systems for use in natural gas separations.

"Natural Gas Subject Business Intellectual Property" means Seller's interest in Intellectual Property that is used or held for use exclusively in the Natural Gas Subject Business or that has been developed for, or is under development for use exclusively in the Natural Gas Subject Business.

"Net Assets Statements" has the meaning given such term in Section 5.15.

"Nonassignable Items" has the meaning given such term in Section 16.06.

"Objection Notice" has the meaning given such term in Section 4.05.

"Order" means any judgment, order or similar act issued, made or rendered by any Governmental Authority.

"Parties" means Seller, Buyer and Buyer Parent, collectively, and "Party" means Seller, Buyer or Buyer Parent, individually.

"Permit" means any approval, authorization, consent, franchise, license, permit or certificate issued or required by any Governmental Authority.

"Permitted Exceptions" means (a) Liens for Taxes, assessments, levies and other charges of Governmental Authorities not yet due and payable or being contested in good faith by appropriate proceedings, and (b) with respect to the Subject Business Real Property (i) matters disclosed by the Survey, (ii) easements, encroachments, restrictions, rights of way and any other non-monetary Liens of public record disclosed by the Title Commitment, (iii) zoning and building restrictions and (iv) Liens of Seller's secured credit facility, all of which shall be released at or prior to the Closing; provided, however, that in no event shall any monetary Liens encumbering or otherwise affecting the Subject Business Real Property (other than as described in subsection (a) or (b)(iv) above) be deemed to be Permitted Exceptions.

"Person" means any individual, partnership, firm, trust, association, company, limited liability company, corporation, joint venture, unincorporated organization, other business entity or Governmental Authority.

"Pre-Closing EH&S Liabilities" means any liability of the Subject Business, or any liability that may attach to an entity purchasing the Subject Business, for Damages arising under applicable EH&S Laws and relating to circumstances existing prior to the Closing, including liabilities under applicable EH&S Laws arising from (a) personal injuries or property damage from exposures to

Hazardous Materials sold, distributed or otherwise placed into the Environment prior to the Closing; (b) ownership or operation of the Subject Business Real Property, or from any condition existing thereon or emanating therefrom (including the release or migration or threatened release or migration of Hazardous Materials into or through the Environment), prior to the Closing; (c) noncompliance with applicable EH&S Laws on or prior to the Closing; (d) manufacturing or sales of products, or other activities or operations of the Subject Business, in each case prior to the Closing; (e) circumstances prior to the Closing relating to the Excluded Assets or any other real property or businesses owned or operated at any time by any Seller Entity or their current or former Affiliates; (f) transportation, storage, disposal, treatment or recycling of Hazardous Materials by the Subject Business, any Seller Entity or their Affiliates prior to Closing; and (g) obligations pursuant to section 1.21 (Environmental Compliance and Indemnity) of the Vesting Deed relating to circumstances existing prior to the Closing.

"Proceeding" means any action, suit, litigation, arbitration or proceeding, commenced, brought, conducted or heard by or before, any court or other Governmental Authority or any arbitrator or arbitration panel, other than the Bankruptcy Proceeding.

"Purchase Price" has the meaning given such term in Section 4.07.

"Research Employee" has the meaning given such term in Section 12.01.

"Restricted IP" has the meaning given in Section 16.06.

"Sale Motion" means a motion which Seller shall file with the Bankruptcy Court seeking approval for the Transactions, which shall be in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to Buyer.

"Sale Order" means an order to be submitted to the Bankruptcy Court substantially in the form attached hereto as <u>Exhibit 1.02C</u> that, with such changes that are reasonably acceptable to Buyer and as may be approved by the Bankruptcy Court, is entered by the Bankruptcy Court approving the consummation of the Transactions.

"Scheduled Closing Date" has the meaning given such term in Section 3.01.

"Seller" has the meaning given such term in the Preamble.

"Seller Benefit Plan" has the meaning given such term in Section 5.12.

"Seller Claims" has the meaning given such term in Section 14.03

"Seller Entity" means any of WRG, Seller, any Subsidiary of WRG or Seller, and any other Affiliate of any of the foregoing.

"Seller Group" means, collectively, WRG, Seller, their Subsidiaries and the other Affiliates of any of the foregoing.

"Seller Indemnified Parties" has the meaning given such term in Section 14.03.

"Senior Executive" has the meaning given such term in Section 14.04.

"Senior Managers" has the meaning given such term in Section 14.04.

"Subject Business" means the development, manufacture and sale, primarily at and from Seller's facilities in Littleton, Colorado (including related activities at and from Seller's facilities in Columbia, Maryland and Curtis Bay (Baltimore), Maryland prior to Closing), of polymer based membranes, membrane modules and membrane systems, each for purification of natural gas or other hydrocarbons.

"Subject Business Employees" has the meaning given such term in Section 12.01.

"Subject Business Intellectual Property" means Seller's interest in Intellectual Property that is used or held for use exclusively in the Subject Business or has been developed for, or is under development for use exclusively in the Subject Business.

"Subject Business Real Property" means the real property owned by Seller and located at 8101 Midway Drive, Littleton, Douglas County, Colorado, together with any and all buildings, structures, fixtures and improvements located thereon and appurtenances thereto.

"Subsidiary" of a Person means any other Person in which the first Person directly or through one or more intermediaries owns securities or other equity interests representing more than 50% of the voting power of all such securities or other equity interests.

"Survey" means a current plat of survey of the Subject Business Real Property (a) prepared in accordance with the Minimum Standard Detail Requirements for ALTA/ACSM Land Title Surveys (as jointly established and adopted in 2005 by the American Land Title Association and the National Society of Professional Surveyors, (b) performed by a surveyor registered in the State of Colorado, (c) certified to Buyer and the Title Insurer, and (d) containing the Table A Items listed on Exhibit 1.2D, and (e) otherwise in form and substance reasonably acceptable to Buyer.

"Tax" means any federal, state, local or foreign governmental tax or assessment, including income tax, any payroll or other similar employment tax, any sales, use, excise, gross receipts or value added tax, or any tax on real or personal property, including interest and penalties with respect thereto.

"Third Party Claims" means any and all Claims by any Person, other than Seller Entities or Buyer Entities or any of their Affiliates, which could give rise to a right of indemnification under this Article.

"Title Commitment" means a current preliminary title report or title commitment for the Subject Business Real Property issued by the Title Insurer showing fee simple title in Seller,

proposing to insure Buyer, and committing to insure the Subject Business Real Property in the amount of the Purchase Price allocated to the Subject Business Real Property.

"Title Insurer" means First American Title Insurance Company or such other title insurance company selected by Buyer.

"Title Policy" means an ALTA Form B (2006) Owner's Policy of Title Insurance (or the most recent form available in the State of Colorado) issued by the Title Insurer in the full amount of the Purchase Price allocated to the Subject Business Real Property and insuring fee simple title to the Subject Business Real Property in a Buyer Entity or any of their Affiliates, and which (a) is subject only to the Closing Permitted Exceptions, (b) contains the endorsements listed on **Exhibit 1.02E**, (c) contains no exception for the gap between Closing and recording of the deed, and (d) is otherwise reasonably acceptable to the Buyer Group in all respects.

"Transaction Documents" means this Agreement, the Ancillary Agreements and any other agreements, instruments and documents executed and delivered pursuant to this Agreement.

"Transactions" means the transactions contemplated by this Agreement.

"Transferred Assets" has the meaning given such term in Section 2.02.

"Transferred Contracts" means the Contracts listed on Exhibit 1.02F.

"Transferred Liabilities" has the meaning given such term in Section 2.03.

"Transferee" has the meaning given such term in Section 19.06.

"Transition Date" has the meaning given such term in Section 14.03.

"Transition Services Agreement" has the meaning given such term in Section 3.03.

"Valuation Time" means 11:59 p.m. Eastern time on the date immediately prior to the Closing Date.

"Vesting Deed" means that certain Special Warranty Deed from Mission Viejo Business Properties, Inc., as grantor, and Seller, as grantee, dated December 9, 1988 and recorded in Book 831, Page 157 of the Douglas County, Colorado Recorder's Office.

"WRG" means W. R. Grace & Co., a Delaware corporation, of which Seller is a direct wholly-owned Subsidiary.

ARTICLE 2

Purchase and Sale of Transferred Assets; Purchase Price

2.01 Purchase and Sale of Transferred Assets: Assumption of Transferred Liabilities. On the terms and subject to the conditions of this Agreement, at the Closing, subject to Section 16.06, Seller shall sell, assign, transfer, convey and deliver to Buyer (or cause to be sold, assigned, transferred, conveyed and delivered to Buyer), free and clear of all Liens (other than Permitted Exceptions) to the maximum extent permissible under section 363 of the Bankruptcy Code, and Buyer shall purchase, acquire and accept the Transferred Assets and assume from Seller the Transferred Liabilities.

2.02 Transferred and Excluded Assets.

- (a) The "Transferred Assets" shall consist of all of the right, title and interest that Seller possesses to or in, to and under any and all of the assets, properties, rights, Contracts and claims of any kind and nature, whether tangible or intangible, real, personal or mixed, and wherever located, that are owned, leased, licensed, used or held for use by Seller exclusively in connection with the Subject Business, including the following (but in every case, excluding the Excluded Assets) (collectively, the "Transferred Assets"):
 - (i) the Subject Business Real Property;
 - (ii) the Maryland Assets;
- (iii) all machinery and equipment (including any Intellectual Property owned by or licensed to Seller that is embodied in the mechanical features and physical design of such machinery or equipment), test skids, furniture, hardware, fixtures, automobiles, trucks, tractors, trailers, tools, tooling and other tangible personal property of every kind and description: (A) located at the Subject Business Real Property; or (B) wherever located, including, in each case, the items set forth on Schedule 2.02(a);
- (iv) all inventories and supplies of raw materials, works-in-process, finished goods, spare parts, supplies, storeroom contents, packaging inventories and other inventories (collectively, "Inventory");
 - (v) all trade accounts, notes receivable, accounts receivable and other receivables;
 - (vi) all prepayments and deposits;
- (vii) all books and records (other than Tax returns and related work papers), files, customer lists, accounting records, papers, tapes, disks, manuals, keys, reports, plans, catalogs, sales and marketing and promotional materials and all other printed and written materials, and general intangibles;
- (viii) all rights under or pursuant to all warranties, representations and guarantees, whether express or implied, made by suppliers, manufacturers, contractors and other third parties with respect to any of the Transferred Assets, other than any of the foregoing to the extent that it relates to any

Excluded Asset or Excluded Liability;

- (ix) all the Permits listed or required to be listed on <u>Schedule 5.20</u> (to the extent transferable);
- (x) all claims, causes of action, choses in action, rights of recovery, rights of set off, and rights of recoupment listed on Schedule 2.02(a)(x);
 - (xi) the Subject Business Intellectual Property;
 - (xii) all rights in, to and under the Transferred Contracts; and
- (xiii) all of the respective forms, office supplies and warehouse and other supplies, including pallets, strapping and other packaging, production and manufacturing supplies and maintenance supplies.
- (b) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this Agreement, the Transferred Assets shall not include, and Seller or another Seller Entity shall retain all right, title and interest that it possesses to or in, each of the following assets, properties, rights, Contracts and claims (collectively, the "Excluded Assets"):
 - (i) cash and cash items, other than petty cash deposits with third parties;
- (ii) refunds of Taxes arising out of the Subject Business for all Tax periods (or portions thereof) ending at or prior to the Closing Date;
- (iii) amounts receivable from any unit of Seller other than the Subject Business or from any other Seller Entity;
- (iv) Insurance Policies, claims with respect to Insurance Policies, and refunds of amounts previously paid or prepaid on account of Insurance Policies;
- (v) employee benefit plans and funds maintained by, or in conjunction with, any Seller Entity, and refunds of amounts previously paid or prepaid amounts on account of such employee benefit plans and funds;
 - (vi) records to the extent relating exclusively to any of the Excluded Liabilities;
- (vii) the names "Grace" and "Davison", whether alone or in combination with each other or with other words, including in any trade name or trade or service mark; and
 - (viii) the other assets listed on Schedule 2.02(b);
 - 2.03 <u>Transferred and Excluded Liabilities</u>.

- (a) At the Closing, Buyer shall assume only the following obligations and liabilities of Seller as and to the extent relating exclusively to the Subject Business (collectively, the "Transferred Liabilities"):
- (i) all obligations under the Transferred Contracts (other than fifty percent (50%) of all Cure Costs) to the extent arising at or after the Closing, solely with respect to periods beginning on and after the Closing Date;
- (ii) all ordinary course payables of Seller specifically related to the operation of the Subject Business (excluding intercompany payables) accruing prior to the Closing Date to the extent and in the amounts set forth on the Closing Statement;
- (iii) all ordinary course vacation benefit plan accruals for the current calendar year to the extent and in the amounts set forth on the Closing Statement; and
- (iv) all payment and performance obligations under Permits included in the Transferred Assets to the extent arising on or after the Closing Date, solely with respect to periods beginning on and after the Closing Date.
- (b) It is expressly understood and agreed that, except for Transferred Liabilities, neither Buyer, any Buyer Entity nor any Affiliate of Buyer or any Buyer Entity is assuming, nor shall they be or become liable for, any other liability or obligation of Seller or any other Seller Entity, whether occurring or accruing before, at or after the Closing, or of the Subject Business, whether occurring or accruing before or at the Closing. In furtherance and not in limitation of the foregoing, with the exception of the Transferred Liabilities, neither Buyer nor any of its Affiliates shall assume, or be deemed to have assumed, any of the following liabilities or obligations of Seller or any other Seller Entity, whether occurring or accruing before, at or after the Closing, or of the Subject Business, whether occurring or accruing before or at the Closing, whether or not disclosed on any Schedule hereto ("Excluded Liabilities"):
- (i) any breach or default under any Transferred Contract to the extent occurring, accruing during or arising out of the period prior to the Closing;
- (ii) any ordinary course or non-ordinary course payable to the extent not set forth, or in excess of the amount set forth, on the Closing Statement;
 - (iii) any liabilities arising out of Seller Benefit Plans;
- (iv) all employment liabilities to the extent occurring or accruing prior to the Closing Date;
- (v) any liability or obligation arising out of or relating to any (A) former employee, officer, director or consultant of any Seller Entity or (B) Subject Business Employee who does not become a Continued Employee;

- (vi) all liabilities to the extent relating in any way to Excluded Assets;
- (vii) any liability of any Seller Entity for any indebtedness (including fifty percent (50%) of all Cure Costs relating to Transferred Contracts);
- (viii) Taxes of any Seller Entity, including Taxes arising out of the Subject Business for all Tax periods (or portions thereof) ending at or prior to the Closing Date;
- (ix) amounts payable to any unit of Seller other than the Subject Business, or to any other Seller Entity and any liabilities arising out of any transaction between Seller and any other Seller Entity in connection with the Subject Business;
 - (x) premiums or any other charges under any Insurance Policy;
- (xi) (A) any liability in any way related to asbestos, (B) [REDACTED] environmental remediation activities required by EH&S Laws or as necessary to meet cleanup standards under EH&S Laws (regardless of whether such activities may be voluntary measures) or (C) [REDACTED] all Pre-Closing EH&S Liabilities;
- (xii) all liabilities and obligations, including any liability arising from claims for injury to persons or property, arising out of the Transferred Assets or the Subject Business prior to the Closing Date;
- (xiii) any obligation for Seller's or any other Seller Entity's legal, accounting or other professional fees or expenses related to or in connection with the preparation of this Agreement or the consummation of the Transactions;
 - (xiv) any fines by Governmental Authorities existing or arising prior to the Closing Date;
 - (xv) any matters disclosed or required to be disclosed on Schedules 5.08(a) or (b); and
- (xvi) to the extent not otherwise specified hereunder or in any of the other Transaction Documents, any liability to the extent arising from or connected with the operation of the Subject Business prior to the Closing Date.
- 2.04 <u>Purchase Price</u>. "Initial Purchase Price" means twenty-two million U.S. dollars (US\$22,000,000). The Initial Purchase Price shall be subject to adjustment as set forth in Article 4. The Initial Purchase Price, as so adjusted, shall be the "Purchase Price". The Purchase Price shall be allocated among the Transferred Assets as provided in Section 2.05.

2.05 <u>Purchase Price Allocation</u>.

(a) Each Party agrees to prepare and timely file U.S. Internal Revenue Service Form 8594 (Asset Acquisition Statement) in accordance with Section 1060 of the Code with respect to the Transferred Assets and to cooperate in every reasonable way with the other Parties in the preparation

of such form.

- (b) The Parties agree that the portion of the Initial Purchase Price to be allocated to the Subject Business Real Property shall be \$[REDACTED].
- (c) The Parties agree that the portion of the Initial Purchase Price to be allocated to the intangible assets shall be \$[REDACTED].
- (d) The Parties agree that the remaining portion of the Purchase Price shall be allocated to net current assets and fixed assets (not including the Subject Business Real Property).

ARTICLE 3

Closing

- 3.01 <u>Scheduled Closing Date</u>. The "Scheduled Closing Date" shall be the fifth (5th) Business Day after the date on which the conditions to Closing set forth in Articles 10 and 11 (other than Sections 10.04 and 11.05 and any other items that, by their nature are required to be satisfied at Closing) shall have been fulfilled or waived, or such other day as Seller and Buyer may agree to in an amendment to this Agreement executed and delivered in accordance with Section 19.07.
- 3.02 <u>Time and Place of Closing, Simultaneity.</u> The Closing shall take place at 10:00 a.m. Eastern time on the Scheduled Closing Date at the offices of Seller, 7500 Grace Drive, Columbia, Maryland. All of the actions to be taken and documents to be executed and delivered at the Closing shall be deemed to be taken, executed and delivered simultaneously, and no such action, execution or delivery shall be effective until all actions to be taken and executions and deliveries to be effected at the Closing are complete. The Closing shall, for all purposes hereunder, be deemed effective at 12:01 a.m. Eastern time, on the Closing Date.
 - 3.03 Transfers at the Closing; Ancillary Agreements; Payments. At the Closing:
- (a) Seller shall execute and deliver to Buyer a special warranty deed for the Subject Business Real Property in the form attached hereto as **Exhibit 3.03(a)**, subject only to the Closing Permitted Exceptions;
- (b) Seller and Buyer shall execute and deliver to each other a Bill of Sale and Assignment and Assumption Agreement in substantially the form attached hereto as Exhibit 3.03(b);
- (c) Seller and Buyer shall execute and deliver to each other an Intellectual Property Assignment Agreement in substantially the form attached hereto as **Exhibit 3.03(c)** (an "IP Assignment") covering: (i) all the patents and patent applications set forth or required to be set forth in Schedule 5.14(a), Part 1, (ii) all trademarks, trademark applications and domain names set forth or required to be set forth in Schedule 5.14(a), Part 5 and (iii) any other patents and patent applications that are not then Restricted IP; provided, that if there are patents or patent applications that are

Restricted IP as of the Closing, then promptly after such patent or patent applications cease to be Restricted IP, the Seller and Buyer shall execute and deliver to each other an IP Assignment covering such patents and patent applications;

- (d) Seller and Buyer shall execute and deliver to each other a Transition Services Agreement in substantially the form attached hereto as **Exhibit 3.03(d)** (the "Transition Services Agreement");
- (e) Seller shall deliver the certificates required pursuant to Section 10.04 hereof and Buyer shall deliver the certificates required pursuant to Section 11.05 hereof;
- (f) Seller shall deliver to Buyer a list identifying all customers of the Subject Business along with the letter code assigned to each such customer on the Schedules and in other due diligence or other related materials delivered or made available to Buyer prior to the Closing; and
- (g) Buyer shall pay the Initial Purchase Price to Seller. Such payment shall be made by means of a wire transfer to Seller's account as follows:

Bank: JPMorgan Chase Bank, NA

Bank ABA #: 021000021

Bank SWIFT code CHASUS33

Bank account name: W. R. Grace & Co.-Conn.

Bank account number: 016001257

Text message: Funds from [REDACTED] re: Membranes.

In addition, each of Buyer and Seller shall execute and deliver such other agreements, instruments and other documents to effect, confirm or evidence the transactions contemplated by this Agreement as the other Parties shall reasonably request. Each such document shall be reasonably satisfactory in form and substance to the Party to whom such document is delivered, but shall contain no representations, warranties, covenants or agreements other than those specifically contained in this Agreement.

3.04 Further Assurances. At any time and from time to time after the Closing, at the request and expense of any Party, the other Parties shall execute and deliver, or cause to be executed and delivered, all such deeds, assignments, and other documents, and take or cause to be taken all such other actions, as the requested Party reasonably deems necessary or advisable in order to complete, perfect or evidence any of the Transactions. Any out-of-pocket expenses related to any such request shall be paid by the requesting Party.

ARTICLE 4

Purchase Price, Post-Closing Adjustments

4.01 <u>Closing of Books</u>. Seller shall close the books and related accounting records, on a

going concern basis, of Seller (but only to the extent that they relate to the Subject Business) as of the Valuation Time, and take a physical count of the Subject Business Inventory at or within two weeks prior to such time. Such Inventory count shall be taken in accordance with the inventory-taking procedures described in <u>Schedule 4.01</u>. Representatives of Buyer may observe the taking of such inventory.

4.02 Definitions.

- (a) "Closing Current Assets" means the aggregate amount, as of the Valuation Time, of all the accounts receivable and Inventory of the Subject Business included in the Transferred Assets, computed in accordance with Section 4.03.
- (b) "Closing Current Liabilities" means the aggregate amount, as of the Valuation Time, of (i) all ordinary course payables of Seller specifically related to the operation of the Subject Business (excluding intercompany payables) accruing prior to the Closing Date, (ii) employee payroll and vacation benefit plan accruals of the Subject Business and (iii) deferred revenue, in each case, computed in accordance with Section 4.03.
- (c) "Closing Working Capital Amount" means the amount of the Closing Current Assets less the amount of the Closing Current Liabilities.
- 4.03 <u>Computation of Closing Current Assets and Liabilities</u>. The Closing Current Assets and the Closing Current Liabilities shall be determined in U.S. dollars on a going concern basis, in accordance with the accounting policies set forth in <u>Schedule 4.03(a)</u>, consistently applied, and in accordance with the sample Closing Working Capital Amount set forth on <u>Schedule 4.03(b)</u>.

4.04 Closing Statement.

- (a) As soon as reasonably practicable but in no event more than ninety (90) days after the Closing, Seller shall deliver to Buyer a report setting forth Seller's determination of the Closing Working Capital Amount (the "Closing Statement"), along with supporting documentation.
- (b) Seller agrees to provide Buyer and its accountants supporting documentation and access to the books and records of the Subject Business to the extent reasonably requested by Buyer for purposes of reviewing the contents of the Closing Statement, and any related supporting schedules prepared by Seller in connection with the preparation of such statement, and will cause appropriate personnel of Seller to provide reasonable assistance to Seller and its representatives in connection with such review. Each Party shall pay the costs, if any, of its own accountants and advisors in connection with the preparation and review of the Closing Statement contemplated by this Section 4.04.
- 4.05 Acceptance. If Buyer does not object to the Closing Working Capital Amount shown on the Closing Statement delivered by Seller, by written notice of objection (the "Objection Notice") delivered to Seller within thirty (30) calendar days after Buyer's receipt of such statement, describing

in reasonable detail each of its proposed adjustments to Seller's determination thereof, then the Closing Working Capital Amount shown on the Closing Statement shall be final and binding on the Parties.

4.06 Non-Acceptance, Resolution of Disputes.

- (a) If Buyer timely delivers an Objection Notice, then Buyer and Seller shall promptly endeavor to agree upon the proper amount of the items in dispute. If a written agreement settling any disputed items has not been reached within thirty (30) days after the date of Buyer's receipt of the Objection Notice, then either Seller or Buyer may, by notice to the other, submit for determination by arbitration in accordance with this Section the question of what adjustments, if any, must be made to Buyer's determination of such amount in order for it to be determined in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement.
- Any such determination by arbitration shall be made by Ernst & Young LLP, or such other nationally recognized accounting firm that the Parties may agree upon (the "Arbitrator") and shall be final and binding on the Parties. The Arbitrator shall be directed to render a written report as promptly as practicable on the unresolved disputed items and to resolve only those issues of dispute set forth in the Objection Notice and to make such modifications, if any, to the Closing Statement as shall reflect such determination. Not later than thirty (30) days after the engagement of the Arbitrator (as evidenced by its written acceptance by facsimile or otherwise to the Parties), the Parties shall submit simultaneous briefs to the Arbitrator (with a copy to the other Parties) setting forth their respective positions regarding the issues in dispute and their respective calculations of the Closing Statement. Rebuttal briefs shall be submitted simultaneously by the Parties within fifteen (15) days after the submission of the initial briefs. The Arbitrator shall be instructed to use the accounting policies set forth in Schedules 4.03(a) and (b) in connection with its determination hereunder and shall render its decision resolving the dispute within thirty (30) days after submission of the rebuttal briefs. If additional or other information is required by the Arbitrator, the Arbitrator shall give notice thereof to the Parties as soon as practicable before the expiration of such thirty (30)day period, and the Parties shall promptly respond; provided, however, that, without the written consent of Seller and Buyer, no request for additional or other information shall act as an extension of the thirty (30)-day period in which the Arbitrator must render its decision.
- (c) The fees and expenses of the Arbitrator for any such determination by arbitration shall be shared as follows: Seller shall bear that portion thereof equal to the total amount of such fees and expenses multiplied by a fraction, the denominator of which shall be the difference between the Closing Working Capital Amount as finally proposed by Buyer before the arbitration began and the Closing Working Capital Amount as finally proposed by Seller before the arbitration began, and the numerator of which shall be the difference between the Closing Working Capital Amount as determined by the Arbitrator and the Closing Working Capital Amount as finally proposed by Seller before the arbitration began. Buyer shall bear the remainder of such fees and expenses.
- (d) Nothing herein shall be construed to authorize or permit the Arbitrator to determine (i) any question or matter whatsoever under or in connection with this Agreement or any other

Transaction Document except the determination of what adjustments, if any, must be made in one or more of the items reflected in the Closing Working Capital Amount as shown on the Closing Statement delivered by Buyer in order for the Closing Working Capital Amount to be determined in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement and (ii) a Final Closing Working Capital Amount that is not in the range between and including the final proposals of Seller and Buyer. Nothing herein shall be construed to require the Arbitrator to follow any rules or procedures of any arbitration association.

(e) The Closing Working Capital Amount as finally determined pursuant to this Section shall constitute the "Final Closing Working Capital Amount."

4.07 Payment of Adjustments.

- (a) In the event that the Final Net Working Capital Amount is less than \$[REDACTED], Seller shall pay to Buyer the amount of such difference in accordance with Section 4.07(c) and Section 14.06.
- (b) In the event that the Final Net Working Capital Amount is more than \$[RBDACTED], Buyer shall pay to Seller the amount of such difference in accordance with Section 4.07(c).
- (c) Any payment pursuant to this Section 4.07 will be made within five (5) Business Days following the final determination of the amount thereof in accordance with this Section. Any payment pursuant to this Section 4.07 will be paid by wire transfer of immediately available funds to the account designated in writing by the Party receiving the payment. Any payment pursuant to this Section will be treated by the Parties as an adjustment to the Initial Purchase Price, and the Initial Purchase Price, as so adjusted, shall be the "Purchase Price". Interest shall be paid on the amount of the net adjusting payment, from and including the Closing Date to but not including the date of payment, at a floating rate per annum equal to the U.S. prime rate, as reported by *The Wall Street Journal*, in effect from time to time during the period from the Closing Date until the date of payment.

ARTICLE 5

Seller's Representations and Warranties

Seller represents and warrants to Buyer as of the date hereof and as of the Closing Date as follows:

5.01 <u>Corporate Organization and Existence</u>. Seller is a corporation duly organized and validly existing under the Connecticut Business Corporation Act and has the full power and authority to carry on the Subject Business and to own and use the assets and properties owned and used by it in connection therewith, including the Transferred Assets. Seller is duly authorized to conduct business and is in good standing as a foreign corporation in Colorado.

- 5.02 <u>Corporate Power</u>. Subject to entry of the Sale Order and its becoming a Final Order, Seller has full corporate power to enter into this Agreement and the other Transaction Documents to which it is or will be a party and perform its obligations hereunder and thereunder.
- 5.03 <u>Authorization</u>. Subject to entry of the Sale Order and its becoming a Final Order, the execution and delivery by Seller of this Agreement and the other Transaction Documents to which it is or will be a party and its performance of its obligations hereunder and thereunder have been duly authorized by all required corporate action.
- Order, Seller has duly and validly executed and delivered this Agreement and at Closing, will have duly and validly executed and delivered the other Transaction Documents to which it is a party and which are being executed and delivered simultaneously with this Agreement. The remaining Transaction Documents to which Seller will be a party, when executed and delivered at the Closing, will be duly and validly executed and delivered by Seller. Subject to entry of the Sale Order and its becoming a Final Order, this Agreement and each Transaction Document to which it is a party which is being executed simultaneously with this Agreement constitutes, and each Transaction Document to which it is a party upon its execution and delivery at the Closing will constitute (assuming as to each such Transaction Document to which Buyer is a party, its due authorization, execution and delivery by Buyer and entry of the Sale Order and its becoming a Final Order) a legal, valid and binding obligation of Seller, enforceable against Seller in accordance with its terms, subject (other than with respect to the Bankruptcy Proceeding) to bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium, fraudulent transfer and similar Laws of general applicability relating to or affecting creditors' rights and to general equity principles (whether in equity or at law).
- Order and its becoming a Final Order, the execution and delivery by Seller of this Agreement and the other Transaction Documents to which it is or will be a party, and its performance of its obligations hereunder and thereunder, do not (a) conflict with its certificate of incorporation or by-laws; (b) result in any violation or breach of any of the provisions of, or constitute a default under, any Law or Order to which Seller or any other Seller Entity is a party or by which it is bound, which violation, breach or default would materially adversely affect Seller's ability to execute and deliver this Agreement or any other Transaction Document to which it is or will be a party or perform its obligations hereunder or thereunder; or (c) result in any breach of any of the provisions of, or constitute a default under, any Contract to which Seller or any other Seller Entity is a party or by which it is bound, which such breach or default of which would materially adversely affect its ability to execute and deliver this Agreement or any other Transaction Document to which it is or will be a party or perform its obligations hereunder or thereunder.

5.06 Real Property.

(a) Schedule 5.06(a) sets forth a true and complete legal description and street address of the Subject Business Real Property. The Subject Business Real Property constitutes all of the real property used in the direct manufacturing operations of the Subject Business. To Seller's

Knowledge, Seller has good and marketable title in fee simple to the Subject Business Real Property, free and clear of all Liens other than the Permitted Exceptions. Neither the Subject Business Real Property nor any portion thereof is subject to any lease, sublease, license or other agreement granting to any Person other than Seller any right to use or occupy the Subject Business Real Property. No third party has any option, right of first offer or right of first refusal to acquire, lease or license the Subject Business Real Property or any portion thereof or interest therein. There are no Persons in possession of the Subject Business Real Property other than Seller. Seller is not a party to any real property leases, subleases, license or other occupancy agreements pursuant to which Seller is the lessee, sublessee, licensee or occupant of any real property in connection with the Subject Business.

- (b) To the Knowledge of Seller, there are no proposed or pending changes to any zoning regulation or official plan affecting the Subject Business Real Property.
- (c) Neither Seller nor the Seller Group has received any written notice of any pending, threatened or contemplated condemnation or eminent domain Proceedings that affect the Subject Business Real Property. To Seller's Knowledge, Seller has not received any oral notice of the intention of any Governmental Authority to take or use all or any part of the Subject Business Real Property, and to Seller's Knowledge, there are no pending or threatened or contemplated condemnation or eminent domain Proceedings or hearings that affect the Subject Business Real Property.
- (d) The Subject Business Real Property is in good operating condition and, in all material respects, in a state of good maintenance and repair. There are no material defects in any of the structural components of the buildings and other improvements located in, on or about the Subject Business Real Property, and the electrical, plumbing (including water treatment capabilities for the operation of the Subject Business) and utility systems are in good working order and condition in all material respects, ordinary wear and tear excepted.
- (e) Neither Seller nor any other Seller Entity has received from any third party any written, or to Seller's Knowledge, any other, notice of any violation, breach or default of the Restrictions (as defined and contained in the Vesting Deed), including any such notice alleging nuisance, noxious or offensive activity related to the Subject Business Real Property.
- (f) To the Knowledge of Seller, there is no Law, Lien or Order that prevents the facilities located at the Subject Business Real Property from being operated twenty-four (24) hours per day, seven (7) days per week.
- 5.07 <u>Title to and Sufficiency of Assets</u>. Subject to the representations and warranties made in Section 5.14 with respect to Restricted IP, Seller has good and (except with respect to Nonassignable Items and Restricted IP) transferable title to all of the Transferred Assets and Seller has good leasehold title to those Transferred Assets which Seller purports to lease, in each case, free and clear of all Liens other than Permitted Exceptions. Except for Excluded Assets and Seller's assets used in the performance of Seller's obligations under the Transition Services Agreement, all of the material tangible and intangible assets used or held for use in connection with the Subject

Business are included in the Transferred Assets, and except as set forth in <u>Schedule 5.07</u>, the Transferred Assets include all assets reflected on the May 31, 2009 Net Assets Statement, other than those disposed of in compliance with Section 5.19 or in accordance with Section 9.01 (including with the prior written consent of Buyer). The Transferred Assets, together with the services performed under the Transition Services Agreement, include all tangible and intangible assets and rights necessary to conduct the Subject Business in substantially the same manner as presently conducted.

5.08 <u>Litigation; Investigations.</u>

- (a) Except as set forth in <u>Schedule 5.08(a)</u>, (i) there are no material Proceedings (other than the Bankruptcy Proceeding) pending or, to the Knowledge of Seller, threatened against Seller in respect of the Subject Business or against the Subject Business, and (ii) to the Knowledge of Seller, there are no other hearings, inquiries or audits pending or threatened against Seller by or before any court or other Governmental Authority (other than the Bankruptcy Proceeding) or any arbitrator or arbitration panel in respect of the Subject Business or against the Subject Business.
- (b) Except as set forth in <u>Schedule 5.08(b)</u>, there are no pending or, to the Knowledge of Seller, threatened governmental investigations relating in any way to the Subject Business.
- 5.09 <u>Insurance</u>. <u>Schedule 5.09</u> describes the Insurance Policies maintained by Seller exclusively with respect to the Subject Business.

5.10 Material Contracts.

- (a) Other than as set forth on <u>Schedule 5.10(a)</u> and except for Contracts that are not being assumed and assigned hereunder, neither Seller nor any other Seller Entity is a party to or otherwise bound by the following (whether written or oral) exclusively in connection with the Subject Business (each, a "Material Contract"):
- (i) any agreement relating to (A) the license to Seller of any material Intellectual Property owned or controlled by any other Person (other than unmodified, commercially available, off-the-shelf computer software that has an aggregate cost of \$150,000 or less), (B) license of any material Intellectual Property (including any Natural Gas Subject Business Intellectual Property) owned or controlled by Seller to any other Person, (C) receipt and/or disclosure and use of any material proprietary Intellectual Property (including any Natural Gas Subject Business Intellectual Property), or (D) the development of any material Intellectual Property (including any Natural Gas Subject Business Intellectual Property) in cooperation with any other Person;
- (ii) any distributor, manufacturer's representative, sales agent, broker or consultant Contract, or any Contract containing a most-favored nation provision or granting exclusive selling rights to any manufacturer's representative, sales agent, broker or distributor;
 - (iii) any bailment or consignment or other similar Contract relating to Inventory,

equipment or other assets of any customer, supplier or third party;

- (iv) any Contract for the purchase of materials, components, supplies, equipment or services (A) pursuant to which Seller has agreed to purchase all of its requirements for the goods and/or services in question or which contain minimum volume or dollar guarantees or commitments requiring the payment to Seller by any other Person of more than \$50,000 or having a term of twelve (12) months or longer, or (B) requiring the payment by Seller to any other Person of more than \$50,000 or having a term of twelve (12) months or longer;
- (v) any Contract involving the lease of personal property in excess of \$50,000 individually or \$150,000 in the aggregate;
- (vi) any (A) trust indenture, mortgage, promissory note, loan agreement or other Contract for the borrowing of money, or any Contract or agreement of guarantee, surety, support, indemnification, assumption or endorsement of, or any similar commitment by the Subject Business to become liable for the obligations or other liabilities of any other Person, (B) offset, countertrade or barter agreement or any Contract limiting the freedom of the Subject Business or any employees thereof to engage in any line of business or activity or to compete or otherwise conduct business anywhere in the world, solicit any employees or disclose any information otherwise permitted to be disclosed under applicable Law, or (C) letter of credit or bond (excluding endorsements of instruments for collection of accounts receivable in the ordinary course of business);
- (vii) any power of attorney that could have an effect on the Transferred Assets after Closing;
- (viii) any Contract providing for severance payments, divestiture incentives or other additional rights or benefits in the event of the sale of the Transferred Assets or the Subject Business, excluding any of the foregoing that will not be the obligation of Buyer after the Closing;
 - (ix) any partnership or joint venture agreement;
- (x) any Contract between Seller or any other Seller Entity, on the one hand, and any other Seller Entity or any other division of Seller, on the other hand, in exclusive connection with the Subject Business;
- (xi) other than for sales and purchases in the ordinary course of business, any Contract or option for the acquisition or sale by the Subject Business of any material asset or group of assets of the Subject Business; or
- (xii) any settlement agreement with any Governmental Authority or third party within the preceding twelve (12) months or under which there are no outstanding obligations of Seller.
- (b) With respect to each such Material Contract (other than a Material Contract which is listed on Schedule 5.14(f) (which Contracts are covered by the representations and warranties

contained in Section 5.14(f)) or which is an Excluded Asset): (i) the Material Contract is legal, valid, binding and enforceable in accordance with its terms by Seller and, to the Knowledge of Seller, by the other contracting party thereto, and is in full force and effect, subject (other than with respect to the Bankruptcy Proceeding) to bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium, fraudulent transfer and similar Laws of general applicability relating to or affecting creditors, rights and to general equity principles (whether in equity or at law), (ii) neither Seller nor, to the Knowledge of Seller, any other party is in breach or default, and, to the Knowledge of Seller, (A) no event has occurred which with notice or lapse of time or both would constitute a breach or default, or permit termination, modification, or acceleration of and (B) no party has notified Seller or any other Seller Entity of any intention to terminate, modify or accelerate such Material Contract, (iii) Seller has not received written notice, or to the Knowledge of Seller, no party has otherwise repudiated in writing or in a manner reasonably communicated to the management of Seller or any other Seller Entity, any provision of such Material Contract and (iv) neither Seller nor any Seller Entity has waived any material rights under any Material Contract.

- (c) Seller has heretofore delivered or made available to Buyer complete copies, including all amendments and modifications thereto, of all Material Contracts that are binding on the Subject Business.
- (d) To Seller's Knowledge as of the date of this Agreement, none of the four Persons with a bid, proposal or purchase order listed on <u>Schedule 5.10(d)</u> has notified Seller of any intent to materially change any such bid, proposal or purchase order or notified Seller of any circumstances that would preclude or prevent any such bids or proposals from becoming purchase orders or materially delay any bids or proposals from becoming purchase orders.

5.11 Labor and Employment.

- (a) Schedule 5.11(a) lists each Subject Business Employee, his/her work location, title, service commencement date, current base pay and any bonus or other compensation incentive plans in which the Subject Business Employee is eligible to participate. Each written employment Contract covering any such Subject Business Employee has been made available to Buyer.
- (b) Seller is not a party to nor does it have any liability with respect to any collective bargaining agreement or other similar Contract with a labor union or similar organization covering any Subject Business Employee and, to the Knowledge of Seller, there have not, in the previous 18 months, been any organizing campaigns or organizing activities by a union to organize any Subject Business Employee to form or join a union. All employment or labor related litigation claims, including charges filed with the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission or its state counterparts, since January 1, 2004 by any Subject Business Employee are listed on Schedule 5.11(b).
- 5.12 <u>Employee Benefit Plans</u>. Each employee benefit plan (as defined in Section 3(3) of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act), excluding governmental plans, which as of the date hereof covers any Subject Employee (each a "Seller Benefit Plan") is set forth on <u>Schedule 5.12</u>.

5.13 Environmental Compliance.

- (a) Except as set forth on <u>Schedule 5.13</u>, Seller in connection with the Subject Business is in compliance in all material respects with all applicable EH&S Laws as of the date hereof or the Closing Date.
- (b) Except as set forth on Schedule 5.13, (i) Seller in connection with the Subject Business has in force all Permits required by applicable EH&S Laws as of the date hereof or the Closing Date for the operation of the Subject Business and the Transferred Assets, and no event has occurred that would allow, either upon the giving of notice or lapse of time or otherwise, revocation or early termination of any such Permit.
- (c) Except as set forth on Schedule 5.13, (i) since January 1, 2007, no notices or claims relating to potential liability or legal action under any applicable EH&S Laws in effect during the periods between January 1, 2007 and the date hereof or January 1, 2007 and the Closing Date have been received by Seller in connection with the Subject Business or the Transferred Assets; and (ii) to the Knowledge of Seller, there are no Proceedings, or other hearings, inquiries or audits, pending or threatened, by or before any court or other Governmental Authority or any arbitrator or arbitration panel (other than the Bankruptcy Proceeding) under applicable EH&S Laws with respect to any Seller Entity or their current or former Affiliates with respect to the Subject Business or the Transferred Assets.
- (d) Except as set forth on Schedule 5.13, to Seller's Knowledge, there are no Hazardous Materials present in the Environment that require investigation or remediation pursuant to any applicable EH&S Law as of the date hereof or the Closing Date, or that exceed any remediation or other standard contained in or issued pursuant to any applicable EH&S Law as of the date hereof or the Closing Date, either (i) at the Subject Business Real Property, or (ii) arising from or relating to the Subject Business, and for which any Seller Entity or their current or former Affiliates may be liable.

5.14 <u>Intellectual Property</u>.

- (a) Schedule 5.14(a) sets forth a list of all patents, patent applications, registered trademarks and service marks, trademark and service mark applications, domain names, and trade names used or held for use in the Subject Business. Operation of the Subject Business will not infringe, misappropriate or otherwise use unlawfully any Intellectual Property (other than that listed in Schedule 5.14(a)) owned by any Seller Entity immediately after the Closing. The Subject Business Intellectual Property includes all of the Intellectual Property set forth on Schedule 5.14(a).
- (b) Seller's operation of the Natural Gas Subject Business, except as set forth in Schedule 5.14(b), and manufacture and lease of the membrane modules pursuant to the IP Lease, do not infringe, misappropriate or otherwise make any unlawful or unauthorized use of any third party Intellectual Property, in the United States of America, and to the Knowledge of Seller, outside of the United States of America. To the Knowledge of Seller, Seller's operation of the Subject Business

(other than the Natural Gas Subject Business and manufacture and lease of the membrane modules pursuant to the IP Lease which are addressed above) does not infringe, misappropriate or otherwise make any unlawful or unauthorized use of any third party Intellectual Property. To the Knowledge of Seller, no third party is infringing, misappropriating or otherwise making any unlawful or unauthorized use of any Subject Business Intellectual Property, or any Intellectual Property licensed to Seller for which Seller has the right to enforce. There is no pending, or to the Knowledge of Seller, threatened, Proceeding alleging that Seller's operation of the Subject Business infringes, misappropriates or otherwise makes any unlawful or unauthorized use of any third party Intellectual Property (including any such Proceeding seeking that Seller license, or refrain from using, any third party Intellectual Property).

- (c) (i) Seller exclusively owns the Intellectual Property listed in Schedule 5.14(a), Parts 1, 2 and 5, and jointly owns with a third party the Intellectual Property listed in Schedule 5.14(a), Part 3. Seller makes no representation or warranty with respect to whether the ownership of Intellectual Property listed in Schedule 5.14(a), Part 3, including joint ownership, is correctly recorded, or that Schedule 5.14(a), Part 3 contains and/or accurately sets forth all patents and/or applications corresponding to the priority patent application filed for each of the two patent families set forth therein. Seller's ownership of Intellectual Property listed in Schedule 5.14(a), Parts 2 and 3 is, to the Knowledge of Seller, subject to terms and conditions of related development agreements with the third party joint owner, which development agreements are listed in Schedule 5.10(a). To the Knowledge of Seller, Seller is joint holder of record, of the Intellectual Property listed in Schedule 5.14(a), Part 4, of which Seller makes no other representation or warranty as to ownership.
- (ii) Seller has the right to transfer or assign all right, title, and interest to the Natural Gas Subject Business Intellectual Property at the Closing. To the Knowledge of Seller, Seller has the right to transfer or assign all right, title, and interest to Subject Business Intellectual Property, other than (A) the Natural Gas Subject Business Intellectual Property and (B) the Intellectual Property listed on Schedule 5.14(a), at the Closing.
- (iii) Seller has the right to transfer or assign all of its right, title and interest in and to the Subject Business Intellectual Property listed on Schedule 5.14(a), except for the Intellectual Property listed in Schedule 5.14(a), Part 4, free and clear of all Liens (other than Permitted Exceptions), subject to terms and conditions contained in the agreements set forth in Schedule 5.14(c)(iii). To the Knowledge of Seller, no other contractual terms and obligations, other than those of agreements set forth in Schedule 5.14(c)(iii) exist to limit or otherwise condition the assignment or transfer of such foregoing Subject Business Intellectual Property listed on Schedule 5.14(a) (other than the items listed in Schedule 5.14(a), Part 4) from Seller to Buyer.
- (d) Seller, in connection with the Subject Business, has not entered into a stand alone agreement whose primary operation at Law is to indemnify any other Person for or against any infringement, misappropriation, or other unlawful or unauthorized use of Intellectual Property. For the avoidance of doubt, such a stand alone agreement does not include legal obligations or agreements (i) as provided pursuant to the design, manufacture, or sale of products to which the

terms and conditions as set forth in <u>Schedule 5.21(a)</u> apply, or (ii) under the terms and conditions of the agreements set forth in <u>Schedule 5.10(a)</u>.

- (e) Other than as set forth in <u>Schedule 5.14(e)</u>, Seller, in connection with the Subject Business, (i) does not license any third party software (other than unmodified commercial-off-the-shelf software), (ii) does not use any open source software, and (iii) has developed, using solely internal resources, all non-commercial software used or held for use by it.
- Schedule 5.14(f) lists the agreements between Seller and all of the Subject Business Employees providing for confidentiality obligations with respect to Intellectual Property and assignment of Intellectual Property developed in connection with the Subject Business. Copies of such agreements have been made available to Buyer. Seller has not received written notice and the other party has not otherwise repudiated in a manner reasonably communicated to the management of Seller or any other Seller Entity, any provision in any agreement listed in Schedule 5.14(f), and neither Seller nor any Seller Entity has waived any material rights under any such agreement. To Seller's Knowledge, (i) each such agreement is legal, valid, binding and enforceable against the other party in accordance with its terms, and is in full force and effect, subject (other than with respect to the Bankruptcy Proceeding) to bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium, fraudulent transfer and similar Laws of general applicability relating to or affecting creditors' rights and to general equity principles (whether in equity or at law), and (ii) neither Seller nor the other party is in breach or default, and (A) no event has occurred which with notice or lapse of time or both would constitute a breach or default, or permit termination, modification, or acceleration thereof and (B) the other party has not notified Seller or any other Seller Entity of any intention to terminate, modify or accelerate such agreement.
- (g) Seller has used commercially reasonable efforts to maintain the confidentiality of any legally protectable Natural Gas Subject Business Intellectual Property. To the Knowledge of Seller, Seller has used commercially reasonable efforts to maintain the confidentiality of any legally protectable Subject Business Intellectual Property other than the Natural Gas Subject Business Intellectual Property.
- (h) No loss or expiration of any of the Intellectual Property listed in Schedule 5.14(a). Parts 1, 2 and 5, is pending, or to the Knowledge of Seller, is threatened, except for Intellectual Property expiring at the end of its statutory term (and not as a result of any act or omission by Seller, including a failure to pay any required maintenance fees except in the ordinary course of business).

5.15 Financial Statements.

(a) Schedule 5.15(a) contains an unaudited statement of net assets of the Subject Business as of December 31, 2008, and May 31, 2009 (the "Net Assets Statements"). The Net Assets Statements reflect all amounts necessary for a fair presentation of the current assets, fixed assets and current liabilities of the Subject Business as of such dates, in accordance with the accounting principles set forth in Schedule 4.03(a).

(b) Schedule 5.15(b) sets forth the unaudited statements of income of the Subject Business for the years ended December 31, 2008 and December 31, 2007 and for the five (5) month period ended May 31, 2009 (collectively, the "Income Statements"). The Income Statements present fairly, in all material respects, the results of operations of the Subject Business for the periods to which they relate, in accordance with Seller's accounting principles set forth on Schedule 4.03(a), consistently applied.

5.16 <u>Taxes</u>.

- (a) Seller has (i) duly filed with the appropriate taxing authority (or there has been filed on its behalf) all Tax returns required to be filed by it (taking into account all applicable extensions) with respect to the Subject Business and (ii) paid all Taxes shown as due on such Tax returns when payable. All such Tax returns are true and correct in all material respects.
- (b) There are no Liens for Taxes upon any Transferred Assets, except for Liens for Taxes not yet due and payable.
- (c) There is no audit, examination, deficiency, refund litigation or proposed adjustment pending or in progress or threatened with respect to any Taxes relating to the Subject Business.
- (d) There are no outstanding written requests, agreements, consents or waivers to extend the statutory period of limitations applicable to the assessment of any Taxes relating to the Subject Business.
- (e) Seller, with respect to the Subject Business, is in material compliance with all applicable information reporting and Tax withholding requirements under U.S. federal, state and local, and non-U.S. Tax Laws.
- 5.17 <u>Compliance with Laws</u>. Since January 1, 2007, Seller (or its past or present Affiliates) has complied in all material respects with all applicable Laws in connection with the Subject Business, and no Proceeding has been commenced, and to Seller's Knowledge, no Proceeding has been filed, and no hearing, audit or inquiry has been commenced, against Seller alleging any failure to so comply by or before any court or other Governmental Authority or any arbitrator or arbitration panel (other than the Bankruptcy Proceeding).
- 5.18 <u>Transactions with Affiliates</u>. Except as set forth on <u>Schedule 5.18</u>, no Seller Entity other than Seller or any other division of Seller, and none of the directors or officers, and to the Knowledge of Seller, none of the consultants, employees or managers of Seller or any other Seller Entity (or to the Knowledge of Seller, any of the respective Affiliates of any such entities or individuals) have been involved in any business arrangement or relationship with the Subject Business, are entitled to any payment or transfer of any assets from the Subject Business, have any interest in any material property or asset owned, leased, licensed or used by the Subject Business, or have a material interest in any customer or supplier of the Subject Business or any provider of products or services to the Subject Business.

- 5.19 <u>Conduct of the Business</u>. Since May 31, 2009, except as specifically disclosed in <u>Schedule 5.19</u>, the Subject Business has not:
- (a) suffered any thoft, damage, destruction or casualty loss in excess of \$100,000 in the aggregate to its assets (including the Transferred Assets), whether or not covered by insurance;
- (b) entered into any settlement regarding the breach or infringement of, any Subject Business Intellectual Property;
- (c) subjected any of the Transferred Assets to any Lien (other than Permitted Exceptions and Liens that will be released at or prior to the Closing);
- (d) sold, leased, subleased, licensed, assigned, transferred or otherwise disposed of any of its material tangible or intangible assets (including the Subject Business Intellectual Property) (except for sales of Inventory and non-exclusive licenses granted in the ordinary course of business) or, to the Knowledge of Seller, disclosed any confidential information (other than pursuant to agreements requiring the Person to whom the disclosure was made to maintain the confidentiality of such confidential information);
- (e) waived, canceled, compromised or released any material rights or material claims of material value, other than in the ordinary course of business;
- (f) except (i) as required pursuant to the terms of any Seller Benefit Plan or (ii) for increases in annual salary or hourly wages or cash bonuses in the ordinary course of business (which do not individually exceed 5% of base salary), (A) granted to any Subject Business Employee any increase in compensation or benefits, (B) granted to any Subject Business Employee any increase in severance or termination pay, (C) entered into or amended any employment, indemnification, severance, or termination agreement with any employee (except where required by Law), or (D) taken any action to accelerate any payments, rights or benefits, or made any material determinations not in the ordinary course of business, under any Seller Benefit Plan;
- (g) made any material change in its accounting principles, methods or practices, or made or changed any Tax election, or settled any material Tax controversy;
- (h) other than pursuant to its capital budget, authorized, committed to or made any capital expenditures that aggregate in excess of \$84,000;
- (i) made any loans or advances to, or guarantees for the benefit of, any Person (other than advances to employees of the Subject Business for travel and business expenses incurred in the ordinary course of business);
 - instituted, compromised or settled any Proceeding;
- (k) acquired any other business or Person (or any significant portion or division thereof),
 whether by merger, consolidation or reorganization or by purchase of its assets or stock or acquired

any other material assets;

- (m) entered into any Contracts with, any Affiliate of Seller;
- (n) induced, or attempted to induce, any employee of the Subject Business, whether directly or indirectly, to terminate his or her employment with the Subject Business as of or following the Closing;
- (o) dismissed any member of the Subject Business' senior management team (except for cause) or employed or engaged (or offered to employ or engage) any other Person with total compensation of \$75,000 per year or higher; or
- (p) committed or agreed, in writing or other legally binding manner, to any of the foregoing, except as expressly contemplated by this Agreement.
- 5.20 <u>Permits. Schedule 5.20</u> sets forth a complete and correct list of all material Permits obtained or necessary in connection with the operation of the Transferred Assets and the Subject Business. To the Knowledge of Seller, all of the Permits set forth or required to be set forth on <u>Schedule 5.20</u> are valid and in full force and effect. Seller has not received any written notice, and to the Knowledge of Seller, Seller has not received any other notice, from any Governmental Authority stating an intention to terminate or modify any material Permit.

5.21 <u>Product Warranty/Product Liability</u>.

- (a) Schedule 5.21(a) sets forth the standard terms and conditions with respect to products designed, manufactured or sold by the Subject Business and services rendered by the Subject Business and lists all material deviations from the warranties and guaranties contained therein that Seller has offered or agreed to give in the six months prior to the date hereof.
- (b) Except as set forth on Schedule 5.21(b), there is currently no pending, and since January 1, 2008, there has been no pending or, to the Knowledge of Seller, threatened Proceeding and the Subject Business has no material liability with respect to (i) any product alleged to have a defect in manufacture or design, (ii) any other product liability or any similar claim with respect to any product sold by the Subject Business, or (iii) any claim for the breach of any express or implied product warranty or any similar claim with respect to any such product other than standard warranty obligations made by the Subject Business in the ordinary course of business to purchasers of its products. To Seller's Knowledge, since January 1, 2008, there has not been any accident, happening or event caused or allegedly caused by any hazard, defect, alleged hazard or alleged defect in manufacture, design, materials or workmanship relating to any product sold by the Subject Business. There is currently no pending, and since January 1, 2008, there has been no pending, nor to the Knowledge of Seller, threatened, voluntary or compulsory recall, market withdrawal, safety alert, investigation or any other similar notice or action relating to any alleged defect or violation, or lack of safety or efficacy of any product.

- 5.22 <u>No Premerger Obligations</u>. The Transactions do not give rise to any premerger notification or, subject to entry of the Sale Order and its becoming a Final Order, any other approval obligations on the part of Seller or any other Seller Entity under the Law of any jurisdiction.
- 5.23 <u>Additional Representation</u>. Seller further represents and warrants the answers set forth in <u>Schedule 5.23</u>; provided, however, that such representation and warranty is given only as of the date hereof.

ARTICLE 6

Buyer Representations and Warranties

Each of Buyer and Buyer Parent represents and warrants to Seller as of the date hereof and as of the Closing as follows:

- 6.01 Corporate Organization and Existence. Buyer is a limited liability company duly organized, validly existing and in good standing under the Laws of Delaware. Buyer Parent is a corporation duly organized, validly existing and in good standing under the Laws of Delaware. Each of Buyer and Buyer Parent has full power to enter into this Agreement and the other Transaction Documents to which it is or will be a party and, subject to entry of the Sale Order and it becoming a Final Order, perform its obligations hereunder and thereunder. The execution and delivery by each of Buyer and Buyer Parent of this Agreement and the other Transaction Documents to which it is or will be a party, and its performance of its obligations hereunder and thereunder, have been duly authorized by all required action on the part of Buyer and Buyer Parent. Buyer is duly authorized to conduct business and is in good standing under the Laws of each jurisdiction where such qualification is required, except in such jurisdictions where the failure to be so qualified or licensed would not reasonably be expected to have a material adverse effect on Buyer's ability to consummate the Transactions.
- Authorization. Each of Buyer and Buyer Parent has duly and validly executed and delivered this Agreement and the other Transaction Documents to which it is a party which are being executed and delivered simultaneously with this Agreement. The remaining Transaction Documents to which Buyer will be a party, when executed and delivered at the Closing, will be duly and validly executed and delivered by Buyer. This Agreement and each Transaction Document to which Buyer or Buyer Parent is a party which is being executed simultaneously with this Agreement constitutes, and each Transaction Document to which it is a party upon its execution and delivery at the Closing will constitute (assuming as to this Agreement and each other Transaction Document to which Seller is a party, its due authorization, execution and delivery by Seller and entry of the Sale Order and its becoming a Final Order) a legal, valid and binding obligation of Buyer or Buyer Parent, as applicable, enforceable against Buyer or Buyer Parent, as applicable, in accordance with its terms, subject to bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium, fraudulent transfer and similar Laws of general applicability relating to or affecting creditors' rights and to general equity principles (whether in equity or at law).

- 6.03 No Conflict. The execution and delivery by each of Buyer and Buyer Parent of this Agreement and the other Transaction Documents to which it is or will be a party, and the performance by each of Buyer and Buyer Parent of its obligations hereunder and thereunder, do not (a) conflict with its organizational documents, or (b) subject to entry of the Sale Order and its becoming a Final Order, result in any violation or breach of any of the provisions of, or constitute a default under, any Law, Order or Contract to which it is a party or by which it is bound, which violation, breach or default would materially adversely affect its ability to execute and deliver this Agreement or any other Transaction Document to which it is or will be a party or perform its obligations hereunder or thereunder.
- 6.04 <u>Sufficient Funds</u>. Buyer will have on the Scheduled Closing Date sufficient funds to consummate the Transactions.
- 6.05 No Premerger Obligations. The Transactions do not give rise to any premerger notification or, subject to entry of the Sale Order and its becoming a Final Order, any other approval obligations on the part of Buyer or Buyer Parent under the Law of any jurisdiction.

ARTICLE 7

Buyer's Investigation

Buyer hereby acknowledges the following:

- 7.01 <u>Investigation</u>. Buyer has conducted its own investigation and has made its own evaluation of the Subject Business, the Transferred Assets and the Transferred Liabilities; provided that except as provided by applicable Law, no knowledge of, or investigation by or on behalf of, any Buyer will constitute a waiver of Buyer's right to enforce any covenant, representation or warranty, contained herein or affect any right Buyer may have to indemnification.
- 7.02 No Additional Representations. Except for the specific representations and warranties in this Agreement, neither Seller nor any other Seller Entity is making any representation or warranty, express or implied, of any nature whatsoever with respect to the Subject Business, the Transferred Assets or the Transferred Liabilities.

ARTICLE 8

Covenants of Seller and Buyer

8.01 Bankruptcy Court Approval.

(a) Seller shall use commercially reasonable efforts to have the Bankruptcy Court approve the Sale Order at its hearing on August 24, 2009, or, if after such use of commercially reasonable efforts, Seller is unable to obtain such approval at such hearing, as soon as practicable thereafter, and not vacate, stay, amend, reverse, supplement, or modify the Sale Order. Upon entry of the Sale Order, Seller shall (i) use commercially reasonable efforts to cause the Sale Order to